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Art Unit: 3721

Application No.: 10/085,282

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DEVICE AND METHOD

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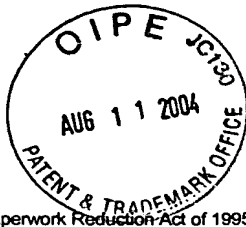
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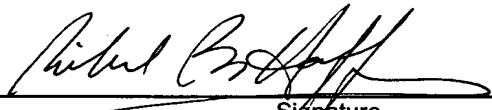
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